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# Vietnam Shock Revisited

## *Pentagon Note Stuns Airman's Wife*

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SAVANNAH, Ga., Oct. 18—A woman whose husband was listed as killed in Vietnam 18 years ago has received a letter from the Air Force saying he may be alive in a prisoner-of-war camp, even though intelligence agencies had determined that the report was false.

"After 18 years of not hearing anything, why would they do this now?" asked Peggy Phillips. "You can't believe what this has done to our family."

The report about Capt. David J. Phillips Jr., who was listed as killed in action in 1966, was based on information provided

by John Reilly of a group called Project Freedom, according to Capt. Miles Wiley, an Air Force spokesman in Washington.

Wiley, who said he knew nothing further about Reilly or his organization, added that the Defense Intelligence Agency found Reilly's claims to be false.

Mrs. Phillips said the government should have explained that in its letter, which she received Saturday.

"I can understand her reaction," said Wiley. But he said the Air Force forwards all information it receives about servicemen to their families, no matter how questionable.